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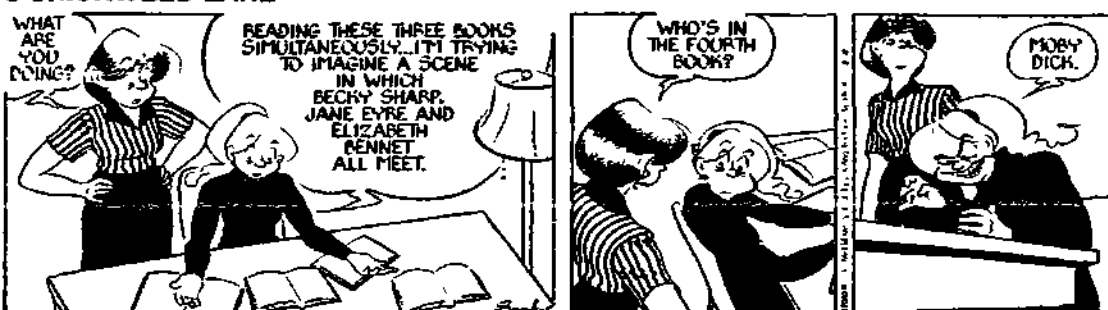
SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



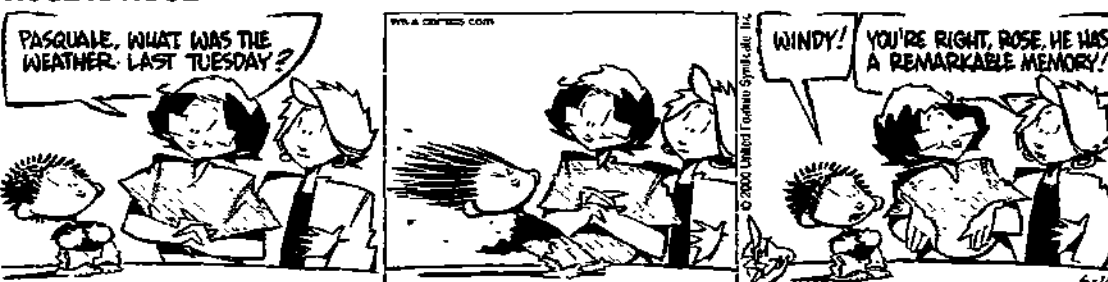
9 CHICKWEED LANE



ANDY CAPP



ROSE IS ROSE



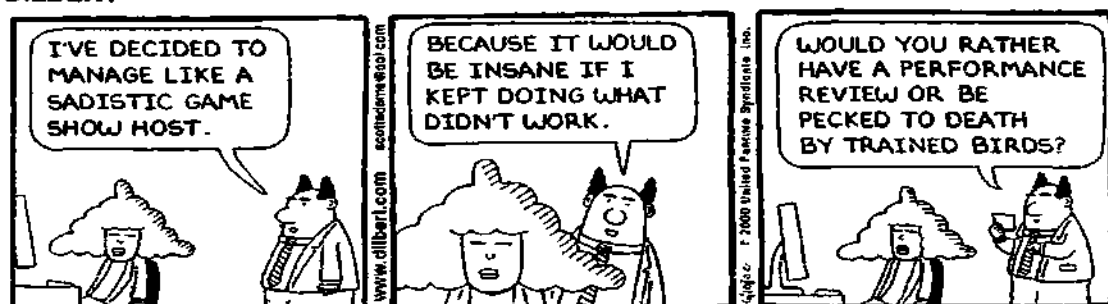
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MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



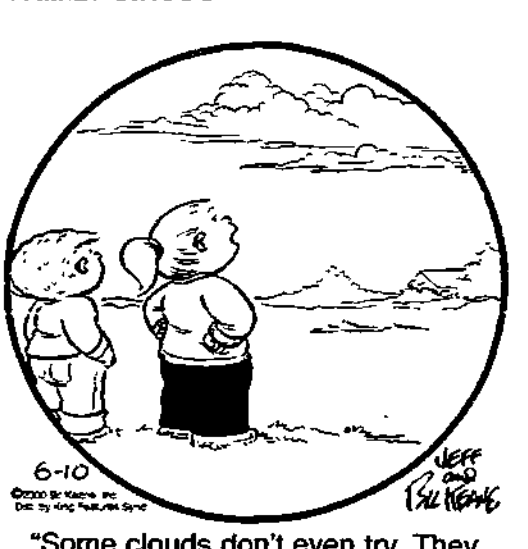
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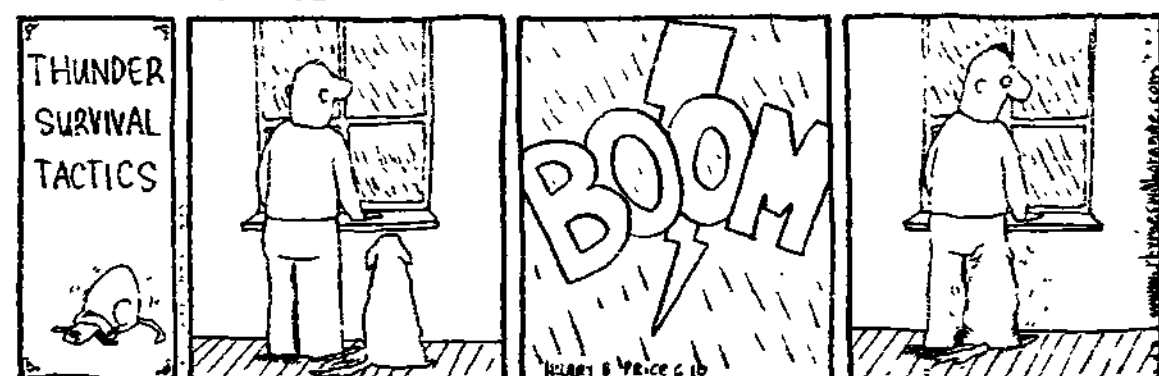
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH

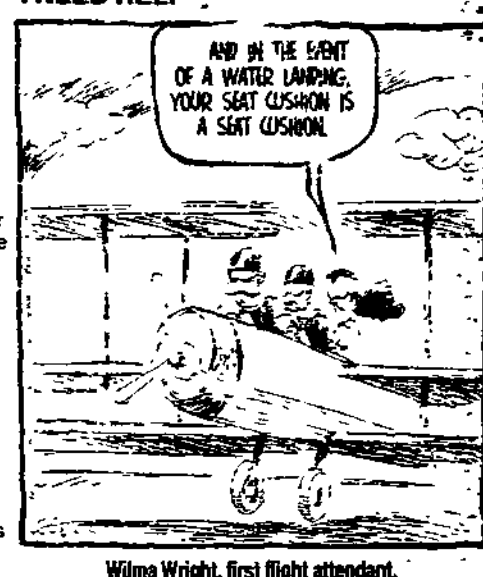


"How come I never win?"

Today's Birthdays

Britain's Prince Philip is 79. Actor-director Lionel Jeffries is 74. Author Maurice Sendak is 72. Attorney F. Lee Bailey is 67. Singer Shirley Alston (The Shirelles) is 59. Actor Andrew Stevens is 45. Actress Gloria Gershon is 38. Actress Elisabeth Shue is 37. Rock musician Jimmy Chamberlin (Smashing Pumpkins) is 36. Model-actress Elizabeth Hurley is 35.

I NEED HELP



Wilma Wright, first flight attendant.

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A	L	E	W	A	D	F	1st Letter Double
S	A	B	E	T	D	D	Triple Word Score
E	E	L	T	H	A	A	

PAR SCORE 140-150
by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL
TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blank" used as any letter have no point value. An "L" word is a word in the Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merrill-Warner) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 6-10-00

For solution, see Classified.

WORD SLEUTH

TOPS

Z E B Y V S Q N K H E B Y W T
R O L J G E B Y W U H R P N K
I G D B Z P O T N I A M X V S
D E S K T O P B L Q P O M K I
G E C F A Y O L T W O P P U P
S Q M O U N T A I N T O P P O
N L J R H O E C P F T T E C T
A Y X E P V E K T F A T U S D
Q P O T G A R T O P L F N M R
K J H O F A T O P E F O C B A
P O T P A L R P O T E S U O H

Friday's unlisted clue: PEARL

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.
Saturday's unlisted clue hint: PORTABLE COMPUTER

Aloft	Foretop	Masttop	Soft-top
Blacktop	Hardtop	Mountaintop	Tiptop
Desktop	Hilltop	Ragtop	Treetop
Flatop	Housetop	Rooftop	

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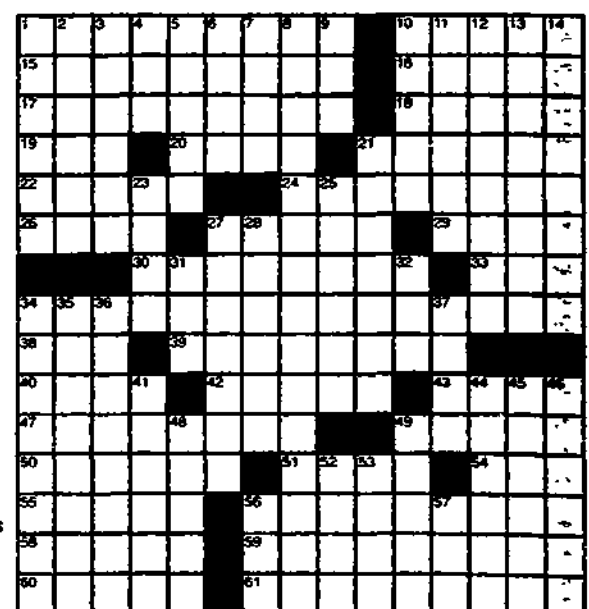
N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 0429

- ACROSS**
- Some staff openings
 - Some people can't take them
 - Unusual dice
 - Año Nuevo time
 - Lambasting
 - Start of Frederick I's reign
 - Make one
 - Collection of slaves
 - Lambaste
 - Newspaper section
 - Bloodhound's skill
 - Day-to-day deterioration
 - Like some colors
 - Breakfast food brand
 - Balanced
 - Inn intake
 - They may enlarge after being fed
 - Spawn
 - Service aces?
 - Alice's restaurant
 - Mass hanging
 - Result of lingual protrusion
 - Take
 - Reddish brown
 - "Puppy Love" singer
 - Vaughan Williams wrote a concerto for it
 - Showy shooter
 - Unlucky investor's loss
 - Brass band member
 - Supply for 34-Across
 - "On the Soul" writer
 - News feature
 - Exactly

DOWN

- Pooch
 - "Things Fall Apart" novelist Chinua
 - Bowls
 - "Do the Right Thing" pizzeria owner
 - Silicon implants
 - One who follows the news
 - Jumping-off point
 - Thoroughly
 - City name starter
 - Bruiser
 - Push
 - "Eleni" star
 - Rack shape
 - "That's the way the cookie crumbles"
 - Gets lighter
 - It takes two
 - Some moth repellents
 - Imperiled
- ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**
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| NOS | GOBACK | SASS |
| ENC | SWAYED | WITH |
| WHOTHERE | HELL | AREA |
| KAFKA | SLA | SLAV |
| INFORCE | ONETIME | |
| DDS | PAGE | GAINER |
| | NEXT | SKEDS |
| WANTSTO | HEAR | |
| SMITE | TOYO | |
| MALTED | LEWD | ESC |
| ADDEDON | REACTIO | |
| SEWN | SIS | YAHOO |
| HIED | ACTOR | STALK |
| ERSE | GEARUP | NEE |
| DATE | ERRATA | END |



Puzzle by Patrick O. Berry

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 28 Remove a belt from | 45 Gets ready to bite, perhaps | 52 Condo |
| 31 Dash | 46 "Dances With Wolves" foe | 53 Claptrap |
| 32 University conferral | 48 Port provision | 56 Concept embodying yin and yang |
| 34 Handles trash ecologically | 49 1877 Twain collaborator | 57 Sugar |
| 35 Went past | | |
| 36 Trigger, e.g. | | |
| 37 Ely, e.g. | | |
| 41 One who gets the point | | |
| 44 Completely | | |

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